

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 838

By Fraley

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the bravery and accomplishments of Katherine Hayes.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Katherine Hayes of Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce initiated and operates an adult and youth leadership program known as Leadership Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, as part of this program an annual retreat is held which is designed, in part, to foster cooperation and camaraderie among the participants; and

WHEREAS, as part of this retreat, the 2004 Leadership class participated in a "ropes course" which required the participants to overcome their natural fear of heights by traversing open space above the ground on a steel cable; and

WHEREAS, a youth member of the leadership class, Katherine Hayes of Decherd, Tennessee, had an acknowledged and intense fear of heights and of falling; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Hayes persevered, conquering her fears and mastering the requirements of the cable crossing thereby epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Ms. Hayes on her accomplishment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend the bravery and accomplishments of Katherine Hayes and urge her to use this experience to give her strength in other situations she

may encounter in the future which appear equally threatening. We extend our best wishes to her in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we hereby request that the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce present this resolution to Miss Hayes at the April 6, 2004 graduation ceremonies for the 2004 Class of Leadership Franklin County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.